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SUBJECT: ICC FINANCES

REFS: A) SAIGON 4211, B) SAIGON 4242

1. FOLLOWING IS MESSAGE RECEIVED YESTERDAY BY AIR AMERICA,
SAIGON, FROM THEIR WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS:

BEGIN TEXT:

1. WE GATHER FROM REFERENCES SECOND AND FIRST ABOVE THAT YOU
EXPECT THE PAYMENT REQUIRED BY AAMS LETTER DELIVERED 28 MARCH 1974
TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE YOU HAVE TO SUSPEND SERVICES BUT WE FURTHER
UNDERSTAND THAT ICCS HAS TO HAVE CONFIRMATION FROM THE CHARTERED
BANK THAT THE GVN 2.4 MILLION DUS INSTRUMENT HAS CLEARED BEFORE IT
CAN ISSUE THE REQUIRED PAYMENT TO AAM.

2. HAVING HEARD NOTHING FURTHER FROM YOU TODAY ON THE STATUS OF THE
MATTER AND IN RECOGNITION OF THE ARRIVAL OUR TOMORROW MORNING OF THE
SUSPENSION DEADLINE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TODAY REVIEWED THE
SITUATION AND WE CONCLUDE THAT IF ICCS NEEDS AN EXTRA DAY OR TWO FOR
THE GVN DOLLAR INSTRUMENT TO CLEAR WE SHOULD ALLOW THEM THIS GRACE
PERIOD TO HOPEFULLY AVOID THE DISRUPTION OF AN INTERRUPTION OF
SERVICE. IT IS TO BE CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT THERE IS NO CHANGE IN
THE POSITION TAKEN EARLIER THAT WE MUST BE PAID PROMPTLY OR WE HAVE
TO SUSPEND SERVICES, BUT ONLY THAT THE SUSPENSION DEADLINE IS
BEING EXTENDED, IF NECESSARY, TO PERMIT TIME FOR THE INSTRUMENT TO
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CLEAR AND PRODUCE FUNDS -- AND TO ACCOMMODATE ICCS IN AVOIDING

DISRUPTION OF SERVICES.

3. ACCORDINGLY, UNLESS CEO DIRECTS OTHERWISE, YOU SHOULD NOT SUSPEND SERVICES AS PREVIOUSLY INSTRUCTED AT COB APRIL FOURTH, IF NOT PAID, BUT SHOULD EXTEND THAT DEADLINE FOR UP TO TWO ADDITIONAL DAYS, I.E. COB APRIL SIXTH AS NECESSARY AND IN ANY EVENT YOU ARE TO COORDINATE WITH US BEFOREHAND ON ANY NEW PROPOSED DATE OF SUSPENSION. LEST THIS EXTENSION BE MISUNDERSTOOD WE REITERATE THAT THE ORIGINAL REQUIREMENT HAS NOT CHANGED AND WE ARE ONLY TALKING ABOUT SUSPENSION DATES.

4. PLEASE IMMEDIATELY BRING US UP TO DATE ON THE SITUATION AT YOUR END. END TEXT.

2. AS WE HAVE SAID BEFORE, TIME HAS RUN OUT.
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